

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Los Angeles County Commission for Women was held on Monday, September 25, 2006 in Conference Rooms 4 and 5, Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, 555 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California.

President Lesser called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m., with no quorum present.

The following Commissioners were present for roll call:

President Lesser  
Vice President Duba  
Treasurer Creary  
Commissioner Freeman  
Commissioner Jernigan  
Commissioner Tanberg

Introduction of the audience followed.

(Commissioner Rodriguez joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m. constituting a quorum)

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Lesser reported that she attended two events commemorating 9/11 and she participated in the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her church St. Cross Episcopal. She noted that St. Cross was the first church to present a woman Bishop to become a Priest. Also, she toured the new Police and Fire stations in Manhattan Beach. She briefly spoke on the State Public hearings for women and noted that information can be obtained from the State Commission for Women's website [www.women.ca.gov](http://www.women.ca.gov).

(Commissioners ZeBrack and Gravely joined the meeting at 10:17 a.m.)

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Creary reported on expenditures for August 2006. The beginning balance as of August was \$20,528.74; expenditures were \$2,000.00; income was \$315.21; and the ending balance was \$18,846.95. The monthly allowance for September 2006 is \$1,884.70.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2006**

On motion of Commissioner Jernigan, seconded by Treasurer Creary, and duly carried, with Commissioner Tanberg abstaining, the minutes of August 28, 2006 were approved, with the following corrections: Page 3, ~~(Commissioner Becerra-Jones joined the meeting at 11:37 a.m.)~~, Page 1, ~~Commission Tanberg~~.

(Commissioner Becerra-Jones joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m.)

## **STAFF REPORT**

Staff reported the following:

Reminded Treasurer Creary, Commissioners Freeman, and Tanberg that they are scheduled to attend the Governor's and First Lady's Conference for Women on Tuesday, September 26, 2006 at the Long Beach Convention Center. Also Commissioner's Rodriguez and ZeBrack are scheduled to attend the Center for the Pacific Asian Family Gala on Tuesday, September 26, 2006 at the Gilmore Adobe at 6:00 p.m.

### **APPROVAL TO CO-SPONSOR WITH GLENDALE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN A PANEL PRESENTATION ON IMMIGRANT WOMEN AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NOT TO EXCEED \$250.00**

Karla Kerlin, President, Glendale Commission on the Status of Women, gave an overview of the upcoming panel presentation on Immigrant Women dealing with Domestic Violence on October 4, 2006 from 6 pm to 8 pm at the Glendale Central Library. The panel expert will include: Commissioner Olivia Rodriguez, Ms. Shanna Batten, Ms. Daliah Setareh, Ms. Eliza Karagezian and Detective Mike Stilton.

Following discussion, on motion of Treasurer Creary, seconded by Vice President Duba, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved to Co-sponsor with the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women in a panel presentation on Immigrant Women dealing with Domestic Violence in an amount not to exceed \$250. The Commission thanked Commissioner Rodriguez for participating as a panelist.

### **APPROVAL TO REIMBURSE THE PRESIDENT'S FUND FOR RETREAT PLANNING COST**

On motion of Commissioner Jernigan, seconded by Vice President Duba, the Commission unanimously approved to reimburse \$1,701.72 to the President's Fund for the retreat planning cost \$1,000 for facilitator, \$701.72 for food and facility.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Genevieve Clavreul spoke on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) failing report on King Drew Hospital. She expressed her concerns of the County's inability to correct the problems at King Drew Hospital. Also, she noted that the hospital is desperately needed for the residents of that community.

(Commissioner Pinedo joined the meeting at 10:40 a.m.)

President Lesser requested staff to keep the Commission informed of the Board's decision in regards to King Drew Hospital. Following further discussion the Commission asked the Health Committee to look toward problem solving and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Commissioner Jernigan asked the Health Committee to write a letter to the Board requesting additional information on their plans to save the hospital.

**MATTERS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA (to be presented and placed on a future agenda):**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

**COMMISSIONERS**

Charlotte Lesser, President  
Reiko Duba, Vice President  
Ruth Creary, Ph.D., Treasurer  
Yolanda Becerra-Jones  
Peggy J. Freeman  
Wadie Gravely  
Ruth Jernigan  
Michelle Pinedo  
Olivia Rodríguez  
Bobbi Jean Tanberg  
Elise ZeBrack

**EXCUSED**

Karin Davalos  
Janet Mummey, Esq

**COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Rhonda Rangel, Twila P. Kerr and Nyla Jefferson, Executive Office

**GUESTS**

Genevieve Clavreul  
Lisa Carona  
Karla Kerlin  
Pat Wilson